GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
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COASTAL PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Coastal Protection Development Advisory Committee (CPDAC) was formed in 1995;

(b) if so, the steps taken to protect degradation and development of coastal region in the country including Orissa; and

(c) the financial outlay proposed for Tenth Five Year Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI)

(a) Beach Erosion Board (BEB) constituted in1966 under the Chairmanship of Chairman, Central Water Commission (erstwhile CW&PC),was reconstituted and renamed as Coastal Protectionand Development Advisory Committee (CPDAC)by Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India in April 1995 under the Chairmanship of Member (RM), Central Water Commission.

(b) The National Coastal Protection Project (Phase-I) estimated tocost Rs. 1095.911 crore for protection of vulnerable coastal reaches from sea erosion incorporating proposals as received from the States of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Orissa,Tamilnadu, West Bengal and UT of Pondicherry has been prepared and is under process for identifying the funding agency.

Also a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, "Critical antierosion works in coastal and other than Ganga Basin States" was reproposed to the Planning Commission for implementation during X Plan, who have given some observations which are being attended to.

(c) The financial outlay of Rs. 30 crore has been provided under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme, "Critical anti erosionworks in coastal and other than Ganga Basin States" for implementation during X Plan.